## <u>REMARKS</u>

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 14, 2005. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and pending claims are respectfully requested.

The Office Action stated that all claims except claims 24-28 are allowed. In response, Applicant has canceled claims 24-28 to facilitate issuance of a patent. Applicant reserves the right to present these canceled claims, or variants thereof, in continuing applications to be filed subsequently.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

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